

# DISTRICT REPORT CARD

## 1999-2000

*The Shrewsbury Public Schools, in partnership with the community, will provide students with the skills and knowledge for the next century, an appreciation of our democratic tradition, and the desire to continue to learn throughout life.*

### SUPERINTENDENT’S MESSAGE

The Education Reform Act of 1993 has changed the landscape of education in Massachusetts! The curriculum frameworks, MCAS, testing for new teachers, requirements for teacher recertification, and audits by the Department of Education all point to a high level of scrutiny for each school district. We do not shrink from such accountability- we welcome it! It is with great pride, then, that we introduce the first printing of the District Report Card and we hope that the information will give you a snapshot of some measures of our school system.

We know that the success of a school system is judged by many more indicators than can be represented in a one-page document. The culture of our schools, the commitment of our staff, and the participation of our parent and business community are not as easily represented as discrete scores on statewide examinations. Consequently, we provide this first report card to you, knowing that it is not the full picture of who we are. Indeed, we look forward to your suggestions to improve the Report Card as it evolves in the future.

The success of the Shrewsbury Public Schools continues to rest with everyone in our community. Students, teachers, administrators, municipal officials, the school committee, parents, and community members all have a part in defining and maintaining the quality of our school system. We offer you the District Report Card as one more way that we can be accountable to you.

Anthony J. Bent

### TESTING



#### Metropolitan Achievement Test - Grade 3

The MAT-7 is a standardized test administered to students in grade 3. The percentiles compare Shrewsbury students to national norms.

Year	95	96	97	98	99
Reading	88 %ile	87 %ile	85 %ile	84 %ile	81 %ile
Math	87 %ile	89 %ile	87 %ile	87 %ile	85 %ile
Language	88 %ile	90 %ile	90 %ile	88 %ile	88 %ile
Basic MAT-7	89 %ile	90 %ile	89 %ile	88 %ile	86 %ile



#### Scholastic Assessment Test (SAT I)

	95	96	97	98	99
<b>Verbal</b>					
Shrewsbury	495	507	516	520	528
Massachusetts	505	494	508	508	511
<b>Math</b>					
Shrewsbury	496	494	516	516	532
Massachusetts	502	504	505	508	511



#### Advanced Placement Examinations

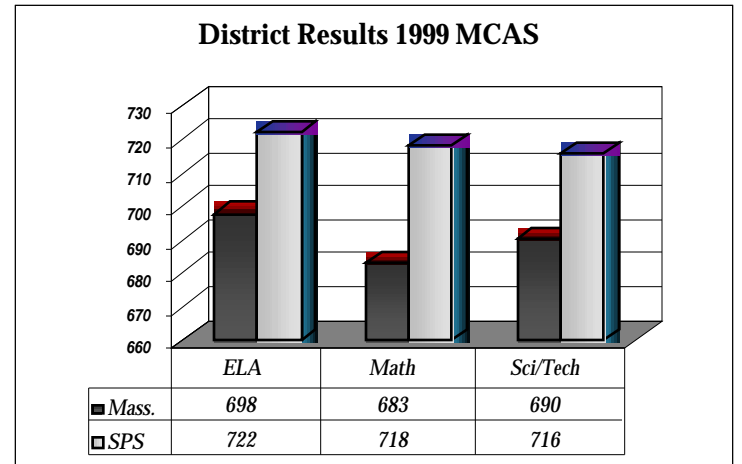
AP Exams are the most rigorous exams taken at the HS. Students can receive college credit for passing these exams.

	# Students	# Exams	% Passing
1995	47	67	73%
1996	66	90	57%
1997	75	112	84%
1998	68	96	70%
1999	116	190	75%



#### Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System

MCAS is the state's mandated testing program for students in grades 4, 8, and 10. SPS scored in the top 10% of districts statewide.



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### ENROLLMENT

	95-96	96-97	97-98	98-99	99-00
Preschool	87	76	105	136	126
Kindergarten	339	342	330	403	359
Grades 1-5	1664	1760	1861	1903	2070
Grades 6-8	812	861	952	1022	1036
Grades 9-12	986	1010	933	921	921

District Total	3888	4049	4181	4385	4512
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<b>Average Class Size</b>					
Kindergarten	22.6	21.4	19.4	21.2	18.9
Elementary	23.4	23.4	22.5	22.2	22.1
Middle School	23.3	23.3	25.1	25.0	24.1
High School (core)	19.0	20.0	18.0	18.0	18.5



### EXPENDITURES

	Shrewsbury	State Average
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Integrated Cost Per Pupil	\$5,884	\$6,636
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Average Tax Bill FY99	\$2,267	\$2,191
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Other Costs Per Pupil:		
Instructional	\$4,076	\$4,305
Professional Development	\$ 111	\$ 84
Administrative	\$ 193	\$ 248
Athletics	\$ 59	\$ 61
Principal Offices	\$ 301	\$ 289
Texts & Equipment	\$ 51	\$ 69

Data provided by Massachusetts Department of Education for FY98.

### TEACHERS



Average Years of Service	15
Average Salary	\$47,066

Level of Education	(percent of staff)
Bachelor's Degree	25%
Master's Degree	41%
Master's Degree, 30 credits	11%
Master's Degree, 45 credits	4%
Master's Degree, 60 credits	18%
Doctorate	1%

### District Staffing Allocation

	0	50	100	150	200	250
Administrators	■					
Core Classrooms	■	■	■	■	■	■
Specialists (Art, Music, etc.)	■	■	■	■	■	■
Special Education	■	■	■	■	■	■
Instructional Aides	■	■	■	■	■	■
Clerical Support	■	■	■	■	■	■



### TECHNOLOGY

	Shrewsbury	State
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Students per Computer	6.1	7.4
Classrooms with Internet	99.2%	69.2%